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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER
AND FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 CFR 1.53(b))**

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is:

- ☐ a patent application
☐ a Continuation ☐ a Divisional ☒ a Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Application of prior application no.: **09/827,535**; filed **April 6, 2001**, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.
☒ and claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. **60/196,722**; filed **April 13, 2000**.
☐ A Small Entity Statement(s) was filed in the prior application; Status still proper and desired.

Inventor(s) or Application Identifier:

Xiansheng Zheng, Birmingham, Alabama; **Michael E. Benser**, Birmingham, Alabama; **Raymond E. Ideker**, Birmingham, Alabama; **Gregory P. Walcott**, Wilsonville, Alabama; **Steven D. Girouard**, Woodbury, Minnesota

Entitled:

**INTER-ATRIAL SEPTUM OR SUPERIOR VENA CAVA ELECTRODES FOR ATRIAL
DEFIBRILLATION**

Enclosed are:

1. ☒ Application Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal Form (*A duplicate is enclosed for fee processing*)
2. ☒ **36** pages of Specification (including **54** claims)
3. ☒ **9** sheets of Formal Drawings (35 USC 113)
4. ☐ Oath or Declaration
 - a. ☐ newly executed (*original or copy*)
 - b. ☐ copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (*for continuation/divisional*) [Note Box 5 Below]
 - c. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** (*Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application*)
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (*useable if box 4b is checked*)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)
7. ☒ Assignment papers (*cover sheet(s) and document(s)*) **FILED IN PARENT PROVISIONAL APPLICATION**
8. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s)
9. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and _____ references cited
10. ☐ Preliminary Amendment (*Please enter all claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.*)
11. ☐ English Translation Document
12. ☐ Certified Copy of _____ Application No. _____ ; Filed _____

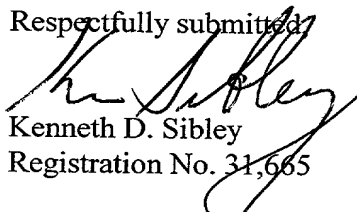
13. ☐ Sequence Listing/ Sequence Listing Diskette
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c. ☐ statement in support
14. ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney
15. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
16. ☒ Other: Application Filed Under 37 CFR 1.41(c)

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b. ☐ Additional patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,


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The above-identified application is being filed on behalf of the inventors,
**Xiangsheng Zheng, Michael E. Benser, Raymond E. Ideker, Gregory P. Walcott, and
Steven D. Girouard**, under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.41(c). A Declaration and Power of
Attorney from the inventors will follow, 37 CFR 1.63.

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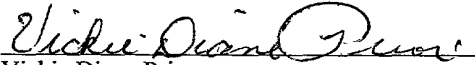
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